Credit-by-Examination

Credit, not to exceed 12 semester hours, may be allowed by special examination where exceptional command of a subject can be demonstrated in lieu of formal course work. This privilege is not available to a student who has previously audited or enrolled in the course, or has previously attempted credit-by-examination in the course. If credit-by-examination is deemed appropriate, the offering department shall have full responsibility for determining the type of examination to be given and what constitutes a passing grade.

Credit established by examination may not be used to satisfy the in-residence requirements for graduation, and no grades or quality credits will be assigned.

There is a \$10.00 per credit hour fee due at time of sign-up, via cash or check (no credit or debit cards). Only currently enrolled undergraduate students are eligible for special examinations allowing university credit. Official approval must be obtained from the head of the department offering the course.

August Math Credit-by-Exam

August Credit-by-Exams will be available the **first week of the fall semester** for: Math 1014, 1025, 1026, 1114, 1225, and 1226. Students wishing to test out of these courses should see the staff in 460 McBryde Hall during the first two days of classes.

All of these courses have a course homepage within the mathematics website that you can use to determine what material will be covered in the exams. There are two categories of exams. The descriptions for each category are given below.

August Credit-by-Exam for Math 1014, 1025, 1026, or 1114

These Credit-by-Exams will be given at the Mathematics Emporium. You will know whether or not you passed (70% or better) immediately after you take the test. Then you can get into the correct mathematics course as soon as possible without missing a lesson.

August Credit-by-Exam for Math 1225 or 1226

These Credit-by-Exams will be non-electronic exams. The date and locations of the exams will be posted on the door of 460 McBryde.

MASC 1024 Credit-by-Exam

Budget cuts have forced us not to be able to offer MASC 1024 this academic year. All of the students who typically use this course for Area 5 of the Curriculum for Liberal Education are in LAHS, e.g. the humanities and arts departments.

The material in MASC 1024 is really quite simple, but it is different enough from usual high school material that students will probably have to put in significant study time before they can pass a credit-by-exam for MASC 1024. The material is accessible at the web site:

http://www.math.vt.edu/courses/masc1024/1024.html

At this site you will find sample exams, a syllabus, and PowerPoint lesson outlines; which should put many students in a good position to test out of MASC 1024.

Caution: University rules prohibit students more than one try at credit-by-exam for each course. If a student fails the single credit-by-exam in MASC 1024, they may never have a chance to get any credit for it except via transfer credit from another institution.

We are willing to do a mass credit-by-exam from 2-4 PM on Reading Day, for those students who examine this material and want to obtain credit for MASC 1024. The exam costs \$30, and the students will have to sign up with Lori Berry in 460 McBryde the week before the exam. (Available sign up times will be posted on the door of 460 McBryde as will the location of the test.)

Other Credit-by-Exams

Credit-by-Exams may be taken at the end of each semester that a course is offered, and will be taken during the final exam period for that course, unless the course is offered at the Math Emporium. Exams will be graded by the instructor (which requires 70% or the class average to pass.) You may contact Lori Berry in 460 McBryde after you take the exam to receive your exam results. To sign up and get more information see the staff in 460 McBryde the last three days of class (sign-up times will be posted on door of 460 McBryde Hall).